—Fruit or rust stains on table lines or other white cloths may be removed by soaking in a weak solution of oxalio acid.—Beston Post.

—It is not good policy for farmers to keep grain long enough to have it endangered by insects. But if any are feared an open vessel filled will bisulphide of carbon placed on top of the grain will keep them off.—Troy Times.

—If your hogs begin to cough look out for malignant lung troubles. If they mope and lie about their beds intestinal difficulties may be suspected. Plenty of pure air, pure water and varied food will scare away malignant diseases.—Cleveland Leader.

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—Quince Marmalade: Take the quinces that you have boiled for jelly and mash them with a spoon; to a pound of quinces take a pound of sugar; boil them together until they are well softened; then strain through a coarse sieve and put in a small jar.—Boston Rudget.

-Mixed Pickle: Chop together half a head of cabbage, three onions, one bunch of celery, one dozen small cucumbers. Chop fine; season with pepper, salt and vinegar. Salad dressing improves it. This is quickly made, and will be found very good.—The House-

-Turn the plants in the windows around occasionally, so that all sides may have an equal share of the light and sun. Plants naturally grow toward the light, and if not turn d soon ac-

the light, and if not turn-d soon acquire that bont, lean-to appearance so often seen with plants in the window.—

San Francisco Chronicle.

—Muffins: Beat well the yelks and whites of four eggs separately; to the yelks add three pints sweet milk, two heaping teaspoonfuls baking powder, sait, stir in enough flour to make a batter, then add the whites of the eggs, one-half cup butter, drop into gem pans one-half cup butter, drop into gem pans and bake immediately.—Good House-

heeping.

—A New York farmer claims that an acre of Hubbard squashes will fatten several more hogs than an acre of corn. This may be true, but many farmers who can raise corn successfully might not succeed with squashes, which, owing to insects and bugs, are a much more uncertain crop than the former.

-This recipe for little dumplings for This recipe for little dumplings for atew requires sour cream and sour m lk or buttermilk. Half a pint of buttermilk or sour milk, half a pint of sour cream, one teaspoonful of soda in the milk, two well-beaten eggs, a little salt, and flour enough, with which is sifted one teaspoonful of cream of tartar, to make a stiff batter. Drop the batter by the spoonful into boiling water, boil for twenty minutes until the outside is done and put in the dish with the done and put in the dish with the stew.—Boston Globe. —Pressed Beef: Take a leg bone of

—Pressed Beef: Take a leg bone of beef, one with a good deal of meat and gristle, and boil till every bit of the meat can be scraped from the bone. Then add a little of the liquor the meat was boiled in, with salt, pepper and sage to taste; mix thoroughly, pour into a crock, put a weight on it, and set away in a cool place until thoroughly cold, when it will slice down nicely.—
The Caterer.

—A correspondent of an exchange, speaking of the defacement of paint by the inadvertent or heedless scratching or matches, says that he has observed that when one mark has been made, others follow rapidly. To effectually prevent this, rub the spot with flannel saturated with liquid vaseline. After that, people may try to strike matches ever so hard, they will neither get a light nor injure the paint; and, what is most singular, the petroleum causes the existing mark to soon disappear, at least when it occurs on dark paint.

## AMERICAN HOGS.

Four Distinct Native Breeds and Then

great feeding centers of the West, in the order named. Possibly none are now faster growing in favor than the Victoria. They are the latest of distinctive American breeds. The Poland-China is made up of various crosses, the China and Berkshire probably predominating. They have of late years been bred black, with more or years been bred black, with more of less white spots, and come uniformly true in color and general make-up. The head is small, ears fine and drooping, body round, long and well let down, and carried on fine short limbs. The skin is thin and firm, the flesh well marbled. These hogs attain heavy weight when fully grown, and mature

early.

The Duroc-Jersey is also from mixed sources, bred for many years in New Jersey and New York State. The old Berkshire strongly predominates in the make-up, but whether the old Tam-worth Red is an integer is an unset-tled question. They are among the largest American breeds, five hundred to six hundred pounds being not unu-sual. The con-titution of this hog is unsurpassed. They should be rather dark red in color, long in body, head small in proportion to the body, with ears decidedly drooping. The limbs are strong, the bones rather large, the body strongly haired and the turt of the tail heavy.

The Victoria swine are of two strains, one originated in the East and another in the West. The Eastern breed seem not to have received general attention.
The Western Victorias are distinctive,
and generally admired. They are pure
white, compact, small-boned, deepbodied hogs, delicately fleshed, and

mature early.

The Chester-White is a breed long known and bred Rast. Originally they were immense in size, coarse-bodied and coarse-board, covered with long, ways, rather briefly her. As bred now they should carry the following characteristics: Head short, and broad between the course course fine long reserved.

THE CATTLE PEST.

Various Symptoms and Nathre of Contagious Pieuro-Pasamonia.

In the course of from three weeks to three months, or more, after exposure to infection, the first indication of the presence of the disease will be a rise of the temperature of the body. This may be definitely ascertained by inserting the bulb of a clinical thermometer into the rectum. The normal temperature of horned cattle varies from 100 2-6° to 102° Fah. When it rises above 103° Fah., the animal is diseased in some way. In the beginning eased in some way. In the beginning of this disease there is a tendency to separate from the rest of the herd, when in the field; also slight listlessness, unequal external temperature, a less keen appetite, irregularity in chewing the cud, slightly diminished milk secretion, occasional erection of the hair, and slight shivering. Then there is occasionally a slight, dry, short and single cough, especially after rising or drinking, or when emerging from the stable. stable.

stable.

Gradually the cough becomes more frequent, harsh, and accompanied with more or less violent efforts, such as arching of the back, and extension of the beck and head. The coat becomes unhealthy-looking, the hair staring, especially along the back and loins. Pinching or pressure applied along the back, may cause the animal to is alternors than usual. The muzzle is alternors than usual. back, may cause the animal to shrink more than usual. The muzzle is alter-nately dry and moist, and the limbs, horns and ears variably cold or warm. The bowels become costive, the urine scanty and of darker color; the breath-ing becomes quickened, the pulse more frequent, and there is a more or less slimy or sticky discharge from the nose. The animal becomes sensitive to damp and chilly weather, and seeks shelter under trees, stacks or in ditches, away from the rest of the herd.

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A physical examination of the chest, by means of percussion and auscultation, will reveal more or less extensive organic changes and lesions, which, however, can only be properly appreciated by the professional observer. The pulse varies from 60 to 70 or 80 per minute, and the temperature rises to 104° F. or 106° F. The animal becomes more sensitive to pressure applied along the back, and especially to striking the ribs with the knuckles. The peculiar abort, sharp cough is emitted, with the head and nack outstretched, the mouth open and the tongue protruding, while the body assumes a crouching position. The symptoms named, which greatly vary in prominence or intensity, and in fact may be so apparently trifling as to attract only passing notice by the owner or attendant, and which constitute the first stage of pleuro-pneumonia, may continue for many weeks, when, often suddenly, the second stage makes its appearance. This is ushered in by more or less intense fever symptoms. appearance. This is ushered in by more or less intense fever symptoms. The pulse becomes quicker, even as high as one hundred beats per minute. At the same time the breathing becomes more accelerated and labored, and more or less constantly accompanied with a grunt, especially if the pleura is affected. There is more or less shivering, with alternate hot and cold temperature of the horns, ears and limbs; the skin lies tight to the body; the muzzle is dretight to the body; the muzzle is dry; appetite is lost; the bowels are very costive; the urine more scanty and high colored, and the milk secretion ceases. The animal evinces disinclination to move, and does so with more or less stiffness. The act of swallowing liquids or solids excites coughing, which comes more and more frequent, pain-, and accompanied with groans and moans. Pressure applied between the ribs and along the back causes the animal to crouch and grunt. The temperature rises to 107° Fah., or more. The animal now almost constantly stands in a fixed position, with the back arched, limbs extended, the elbows The four most generally sought for distinctive breeds of American hogs are Poland-China, Duroc-Jersey, Victorias and Chester-White, and probably generally disseminated, at least in the great feeding centers of the West, in emanates. There is constant moaning and grinding of the teeth. Gradually the breath becomes very offensive, saliva flows from the partially open mouth, and there may be occasional twitching of the muscles of the flanks. The limbs, horns and ears are cold, and a more or less dropsical swelling appears between the jaws and under the chest. When, from emaciation and exhaustion, the animal lies down, it prefers to rest on the brisket, or on the

> occur in from one to three weeks from the beginning of the second stage. The above symptoms may prevail with more or less intensity, or with more or less rapidity of development. The disease does not, however, always terminate fatally. Recovery may occur during the first or second stages; but as the normal condition of the organs is rarely regained, the recovery can only be regarded as incomplete, and is very slow, extending over many months, while the animal is constantly

affected side, to facilitate the motions of the chest—in either position the head being extended as far as possible. More

or less bloating and a very fetid diar-rh ca in the last stage, and death may

capable of communicating the disease among others in its vicinity. This disease is of such a character as This disease is of such a character as to need the immediate attention of the most skillful veterinary surgeon, and it is useless to give any popular directions for treatment. Indeed, the laws of the United States and of all the Northern States prohibit any attempt at individual treatment under heavy penalties; and any one is liable to fine and imprisonment who fails to report even the supposed existence of the disease, or who fails to report his knowledge or suspicion of its existence anywhere in his own neighborhood, or in the State. All reports should be sent at once to the Live Stock Commissioner at the State capital, or to the Governor. In the meantime, it is the duty of every one to immediately separate the every one to immediately separate the suspected animals from all others and to prevent any animals on the place from leaving it, or going near others, until official investigation is made.—
N. H. Parca, M. D., is Prairie Farm-

characteristics: Head short, and broad between the eyes; ears fine, long, projecting forward and distinctly lapping at the end; the neck short and thick and jowl large; body long, deep and broad over the back; hams full, deep, and with short legs set well under the body; the hair white, rather thin and straight—if somewhat waved not objectionable; tail long but fine, and with a decided brush at the end.—Farm.

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-Curiously enough, when autumn comes the result is autumn leaves.---

A PALACE QUARREL the Youthful Emperor of China Is

A Tientein correspondent writes: Our native gossip informs us that the late resignation of the Empress Dowages from the regency was on account of in-ternal disputes in the imperial palace The story runs thus: Her Imperial The story runs thus: Her Imperial Majesty the Princess Regent had been wishing for a long time to make extensive alterations in the imperial gardens of the Nan Hai, Pai Hai, etc., so as to render them suitable for her own imperial dwelling, when the time comes for her to resign her present power and the scepter she holds to His Imperial Highness Kuang Hsu. On broaching the subject to her ministers, they held a long consultation, and finally reported the subject to her ministers, they held a long consultation, and finally reported that enough money could be found to repair the gardens in question, but that to alter them according to her majesty's design was impossible, owing to the want of means for collecting the funds necessary for carrying out the work. The repairs alone, they computed, would cost over 2,000,000 taels of sycee. Her Majesty had, officially, nothing to say against this; for, when she tried to persist in her demands, the ministers gravely represented the impover-ished state of the country, the pov-erty of the people already groan-ing under overtaxation, and the lavish expenditure of the state revenues during the last twenty years for foreign wars in putting down in revenues during the last twenty years for foreign wars in putting down internal rebellion and in assisting suffering people from the miseries of floods and famines, etc. Although her Majesty did not persist, she still felt very sore about the subject all the time, as it is her pet wish to adorn and rebuild these pleasure gardens for her residence during the statement of the second of the sec her pet wish to adorn and rebuild these pleasure gardens for her residence during the rest of her life, when she shall have given up public business and the cares of state to resign herself to ease and pleasure alone. The crowning disappointment she lately had, hower, was the refusal of the young Emperor to give her the use of some apartments in the palace of which the Emperor was in possession, and which the Emperess desired to occupy. This tipul stroke was sired to occupy. This final stroke was evidently too much for her Majesty to bear; it is apparent that her imperious will has been curbed in many respects, and to have a boy of her own adopt on quarrel with h r, as it were, in h r own house, made her feel badly indeed, and she therefore declared she would have nothing more to do with the regency. She immediately issued an edict pro-claiming that the Emperor was old enough to assume the direction of the imperial government, and that it was her will that he should get married the next year and control the state for himself, while she would withdraw from the regency and all public affairs, with the responsibility thereon, into the seclusion of private life.—Boston Herald

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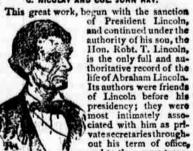
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